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IMPORTANT MILITARY ORDER.

CONFISCATION AND RETENTION
MOTION REJECTED.

From the Memphis Appeal:

MEMPHIS, Aug. 3.

Important general order No. 54, from the Adjutant and Inspector General's office, will be published on Monday.

The first article states that the following order is published for the information and observance of all concerned. The second relates the order issued by the Secretary of War of the United States, directing military commanders that the government will seize the property, real and personal, belonging to the inhabitants of this Confederacy and states no provisions are made for any compensation to the owners of private property thus seized.

The third article quotes Gen. Pope's order for the arrest of all disloyal male citizens, who are to be required to take the oath of allegiance, or be conducted beyond the lines, etc. The fourth article recites the order of Gen. Steinmuller, for the arrest of five of the most prominent citizens of Page county, Virginia, to be held as hostages and suffer death in the event any soldiers of said Steinmuller being shot by bushwhackers, by which terms are meant citizens of this Confederacy who have taken up arms to defend their homes and families. The other three articles are as follows:

Whereas it results from the above order that some of the military authorities of the United States, not content with the unjust, aggressive warfare heretofore waged with savage cruelty against an unoffending people, exasperated by the failure of their efforts to subjugate them, have now determined to violate all rules and usages of war, and convert the hostilities hitherto waged against armed force, into a campaign of robbery and murder against unarmed citizens and peaceful tillers of the soil.

Whereas, this government is bound by the highest obligations of duty to its citizens, is thus driven to the necessity of adopting such just measures of retribution and retaliation as shall seem adequate to repress and punish these barbarities. Whereas, the orders above recited have only been published and made known to this Government since the signatures to the appeal for the exchange of prisoners of war, which certifies that it provides for an exchange of prisoners hereafter captured, which never have been signed accepted by this Government, if the intention to change the war into a system of indiscriminate murder and robbery, had been made known to us.

Whereas, a just regard to humanity demands that the repression of those which this Government is thus compelled to enforce, should be uniformly exercised, retaliation on the part of the military of the Uni-

versity of such infamies and barbarities.

Therefore, it is ordered, that Maj. General Pope, Brigadier Steinmuller, and all commissioned officers serving under their respective commands, be and they are hereby expressly and specially declared to be not entitled to be considered as soldiers, and therefore not so entitled to the benefit of the cartel or parole of future prisoners of war. Ordered further, in the event of the capture of Major-General Pope or Brigadier Steinmuller, or any commissioned officer serving under them, the respective officer taken shall be held in close confinement so long as the orders aforesaid shall continue in force, and ~~and repeated by~~ the competent military authorities of the United States, and that in the event of the murder of any informed citizen or inhabitant of this Confederacy, by virtue or under pretense of any of the orders hereinbefore recited, whether with or without trial, whether under pretense of such citizen being spies or hostages or on any other pretense, it shall be the duty of the commanding general of the forces of this Confederacy to cause immediately to be hung out of the commissioned officers, prisoners as aforesaid, a number equal to the number of our own citizens that have been murdered by the enemy.

By order,
Signed, S. COOPER.
Adj't and Inspector General.

NORTHERN RUMORS.

The telegraph states that the Lynchburg (Va.) Republican of the 4th has information from Staunton, of the receipt of the National Intelligencer and Baltimore Sun of late dates, both of which announced that General Lee resigned his position, and that the first named paper accuses him of having been engaged, for the last sixty days, through England, to bring about an armistice. Dates from New York as late as the 2nd do not, however, contain a syllable about the muss.

It is also stated that the Governors of Ohio, Pennsylvania and Connecticut refuse to send more men to the field. Vanlindingham is said to be stamping Ohio against the abolitionists, while Gov. Curtin, of Pennsylvania, is making speeches in his State, urging enlistments.

Bands of Porter's mortar fleet

reached Fortress Monroe on the morn-

ing of the 2d, and five more were

recently expected. The impression

was that they were to be used prin-

cipally against Fort Sterling.

The New York World of the 1st says editorially that it is now cer-

tain an order will be issued for a

raft in each State or portions of

States as will not supply their quota

of men before the middle of August.

Of course Lincoln will have his men,

and that speedily.

On the 1st, in New York, gold

was selling at a premium of 15½ and

foreign exchange at 1.25@120.

A mechanic, having taken a

boy apprentice, awoke this morn-

ing to find his boy, by call-

ing him, had run away.

He followed him, and found him

at a neighboring town, where he

had obtained employment during the

vacation, and was doing well.

He sent him back to his master.

He was not sorry to do so.

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